CD1495

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544 Camp St.;
Oswald-literature and distribution
FBI-suppression, withholding
CD 1495 (SS Vont 1785)

It is not conceivable to me that as late as September 11, 1964, the Commission had no copy of the "Crime Against Cuba" pamphlet, which is what the first paragrpah says. What the Commission undoubtedly meant was that particular copy, the same copy Hoch has been trying to get from the Department of Justice.

The second paragrpah confirms that as of the time of Oswald's arrest, the Secret Service must have had or seen, in New Orleans, Oswald literature with the 544 Camp address. When else could that have gotten "one of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee circulars distributed by Oswald" with the address save when he was in New Orleans and was distributing them?

The silence of the FBI (par 3) is not exceptional.

Paragraph 4 confirms that as of the time of Oswald's New Orleans activity, his use of the 544 address must have been known to federal police.

Paragraph 5 confirms that, since the FBI was involved in this incident, it also had to have known of Oswald's use of the 544 address.

The Vidal report referred to is Exhibit 3119, and the first page bears the 12/3/63 date. The cited page, 14, is dated 11/30. Checking it makes clear reference is to the pamphlet, not the handbill. With the language of the first paragraph of this report, CD 1495, "to literature found in the possession of Oswald", there can be little doubt the federal police knew at the time of Oswald's New Orleans activities that he used, for whatever purpose, the address 544 Camp. St.

If, at the time, nothing was done about this, how much more culpable is it that nothing was done after the President was assassinated, when the federal police were investigating it and Oswald, and they inevitably learned not only that he had used this address but that they had known it before the assassination?

The date of CD1495, of the phone call to New Orleans from the Commission's office, is but two weeks prior to delivery of the enormous 900-page Report to the President. It then was written, set in type, and being checked for the last time. This means that as of the time the Report was written, finished, there had been no investigation of Oswald's use of the 544 Camp address. If the phone call and Rice memo are legitimate, which I take them to be, this further means that throughout the entire active life of the Commission, the federal police blocked it from investigation of Oswald's use of the address, to the degree they could. It does not mean that the Commission lawyers could not have done this on their own, particularly Liebeler and Jenner